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Petition for Three Month Extension of Time

Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for a three month extension of time in which to file an amendment in response to the Office Action of April 29, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334 in the amount required for payment of the fee. In the event any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334.

Respectfully Submitted,

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